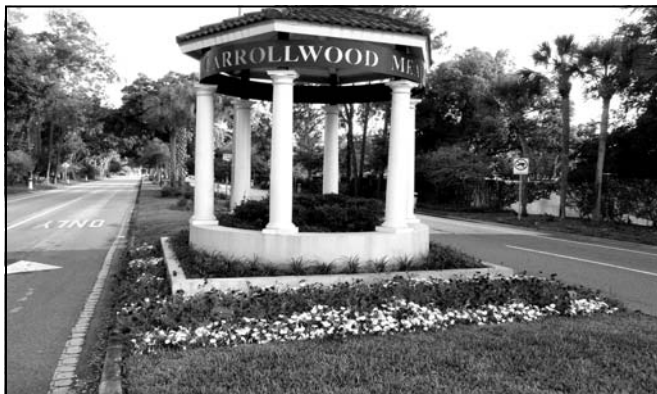


## Carrollwood Meadows Special District



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## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

We hope everyone is off to a great start this new year. Hopefully you are still keeping your resolutions. Your board has resolved to keep making Carrollwood Meadows a wonderful place to call home. In order to do that, the help of each resident is needed. If you are not a member of the association, make this the year to join. With more members, more can be done. Membership fees help pay for parties, refreshments and door prizes at the bi-monthly meetings, postage to mail deed restriction violation notices, and training classes for board members. The board consists of nine people who have a real love for this neighborhood and are dedicated to helping to improve it. Nine people can't do all the work for 822 households. We understand some people work evenings, have children to tend to, are involved in other organizations, etc. But, there has to be more people available and interested in this community. We would love to have some fresh ideas for community events and activities. Those who have lived here over twenty years can remember a very active association with standing room only at some of the monthly meetings. (They even played Bingo before the games and had some nice prizes.) Each year they had Halloween and Christmas parties and an Easter egg hunt. It was a nice time of socializing with neighbors and welcoming newcomers. The board would like to have more events that encourage getting to know one another.



## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 10th at 7:30pm in the community center. Come early, we will be playing Bingo at 7:00 pm. Meetings are open to all residents whether you are homeowners or renters. We are always happy to see new faces and hear your input on what is going on in your part of the subdivision. Light refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there!

## SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT

The Special District held their meeting on Jan. 12, in the community center in the park.

- All the holiday decorations came down in early January and are in storage. The poinsettias at the front entrance survived the latest cold spells thanks to being covered with landscaping sheets. The board will be looking into Florida friendly plants to replace the poinsettias when the time comes.
- Lights at the gazebo need to be repaired or replaced. Ideas are needed for community improvements to be made using money from the budget. If you would like to make suggestions, please attend the next tax board meeting on February 9th at 7:30 pm in the community building.

Suggestions can also be emailed to

[Japdip97@msn.com](mailto:Japdip97@msn.com).

Be sure to mention Carrollwood Meadows in the subject line. These are your tax dollars that are being used in the community and your input is valued.

## FORECLOSED HOUSES

A recent drive through of the community showed that some of the foreclosed houses have recently been cleaned up. Hopefully that means that these homes will soon be on the market. For the time being, they at least are not the eye-sore they once were. We are doing our best to stay in contact with County Code Enforcement and area banks regarding foreclosed and abandoned homes to try to keep them maintained.



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The Young at Hearts were pleased to have some new guests. This group

is always happy to have new people join them. The first Tuesday of each month Adrian, from the County's Parks Department conducts a time of exercise, dance, and stretching. It is fun to see how well this group can move! In January, they celebrated the New Year with a trivia game about New Year's Eve. They also enjoyed going out for lunch at Honey Baked Ham Cafe. The end of the month they celebrated Chinese New Year with traditional foods and customs. February is heart month and they will learn about heart health and have a Valentine party. The group meets on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 to noon in the community center. For more information on this group, please call Betty at 963-7350.

## The Simple Hug Johnny Ray Ryder, Jr.

*There's something in a simple hug  
 That always warms the heart;  
 It welcomes us back home  
 And makes it easier to part.*

*A hug's a way to share the joy  
 And sad times we go through,  
 Or just a way for friends to say  
 They like you 'cause you're you.*

*Hugs are meant for anyone  
 For whom we really care,  
 From your grandma to your neighbor,  
 Or a cuddly teddy bear.*

*A hug is an amazing thing  
 It's just the perfect way  
 To show the love we're feeling  
 But can't find the words to say.*

*It's funny how a little hug  
 Makes everyone feel good;  
 In every place and language,  
 It's always understood.*

*And hugs don't need new equipment,  
 Special batteries or parts  
 Just open up your arms  
 And open up your hearts.*



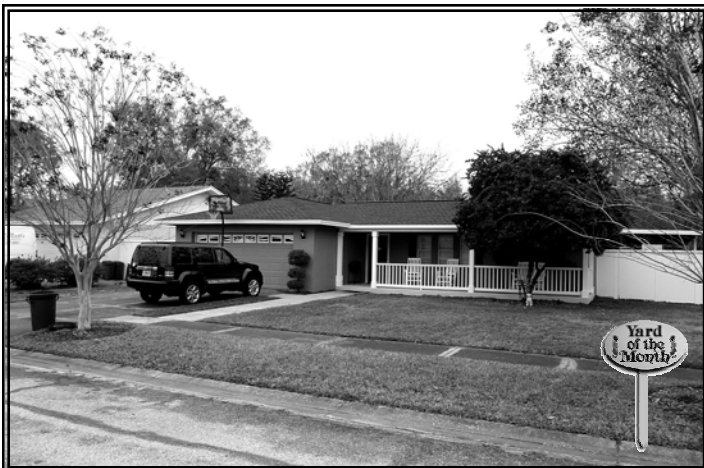
Now is the time to get a jump start on spring cleaning by taking a walk around your home and seeing what needs some attention. This is a good time to repair or replace fence boards, haul unwanted items to the county dump on Linebaugh Avenue, find a place for garbage cans so they can't be seen from

the street, and just do a little picking up and putting away of things sitting on your property. The deed restriction committee will be going through the neighborhood doing an inspection and notices will be sent out to residents with violations. Those with major violations may be reported to County Code Enforcement.

## MINI-GRANT UPDATE

Paperwork was recently signed accepting the terms for the 2011 Office of Neighborhood Relations mini-grant. With this grant our neighborhood association will be purchasing a flagpole to be installed at the front entrance. They will also be purchasing two message boards for the front entrance. Messages regarding meetings and events will be posted on these boards. A dedication ceremony will be held for the flagpole sometime in the spring. The flagpole will be dedicated to those who have served or are currently serving in the military. Additional information will be passed along in future newsletters. Please attend the February 10th meeting if you would like to be involved in the planning of the dedication.

## YARD OF THE MONTH



This recently updated home on Country Court Drive sports a new front porch with plenty of space for rocking the night away, fresh coat of paint, and new roof. The window detail in the garage door is most attractive.



## GUIDELINES FOR PROPER POSTING OF ADDRESSES

The Hillsborough County Street Naming and Numbering Ordinance No. 87-06, amended No. 89-05, requires each residential and commercial building to have an address posted in accordance with the following:

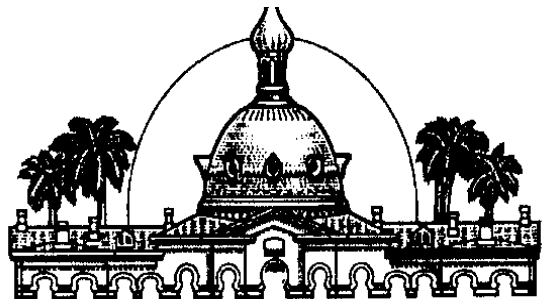
- Address numbers should be affixed to the building (structure) front facing the roadway, and to a separate structure such as a mailbox, fence, wall or post.
- Mailboxes, fences, walls, poles, etc. should not be used exclusively to post your address if there is more than one addressed structure on the property; the numbers should also be affixed to each building front.
- Address numbers must be large enough to be visible from the local street from which access is provided while traveling the posted speed limit.
- Address numbers should be visible to both directions of traffic from the local street. In cases where address numbers are affixed to mailboxes, the numbers should be on both sides of the box. **We recommend a minimum of three (3) inch letters.**
- Address numbers should be clearly visible and without obstruction from shrubbery, trees, walls, or any other blockage. **NOTE: If the residence is located some distance back from the roadway or at the end of a lengthy drive, the numbers should be posted at the entrance drive as well as on the structure.**
- Address numbers should be of a contrasting color to their background and materials used should be both durable and weather resistant.

**NOTE:** The Hillsborough County 911 Street Naming and Numbering Ordinance does not consider curb painting of address numbers in compliance with the ordinance. Only those guidelines outlined are acceptable for compliance with the ordinance.

The Hillsborough County Road and Street Department does not endorse nor do they authorize curb painting of address numbers. However, the County does not have an established policy that specifically prohibits curb painting.

**For more information on address compliance or private road naming, please contact:**

**Address Enforcement  
9-1-1 Administration  
9270 Bay Plaza Blvd, Suite 600  
Tampa, FL 33619  
(813) 744-5911 (Fax: 813-744-5856)**



Want to be a CMHA member?  
Simply fill out this application and  
mail it in. Or, better yet, save a  
stamp and bring it to the next  
CMHA meeting!

Meetings are held every other  
month on the **2nd Thursday at  
7:30 pm in the Carrollwood  
Meadows Community Center  
Building**, located at the end of  
Farmington Rd. Non-members  
are welcome too.

We encourage all residents, even  
if you rent, to join CMHA. The  
more members we have, the more  
community activities we can plan!

## Carrollwood Meadows Neighborhood Association Membership Application

**Annual Dues: \$12.00 per household**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
(Up to 2 from a household)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tampa, FL 33625

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_  
(providing your email address allows us to update you on important events and messages)

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: CMHA P.O. Box 341363 Tampa, FL 33694

### FREE For All Children in Carrollwood Meadows

**Kelly Ohlman** - Red Cross Certified  
Baby Sitter 546-6598 (16 years old)  
She also does pet sitting.

**Nicole**- Baby sitting, pet sitting and  
housecleaning. 968-3765.

Call Sandy at 963-6159 to have your  
name and service added to the list.

The official website for  
Carrollwood Meadows is  
**cmnatampa.com**

If you have anything you would like to  
submit to the site, please contact the  
webmaster. Items will be added to the  
website throughout the month and you  
can contact the board/officers through  
the website.

## Important Phone Numbers

<b>Emergencies (Fire, Police, Medical)</b> .....	<b>911</b>
Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office.....	247-8200
Poison Control.....	1-800-222-1222
Animal Services.....	744-5660
Bilingual Assistance (Citizen Action Center).....	272-5900
Building/Fence Permits.....	272-5600
Code Enforcement.....	274-6600
County Dump.....	264-3816
Fish & Wildlife Dept.....	272-2516
Hillsborough School Board.....	272-4000
Hillsborough Tax Collector.....	635-5200
Hillsborough Water Dept.....	272-6680
Mosquito/Aquatic Weed Control.....	554-5025
Solid Waste Dept.....	272-5680

## Community Contact Information:

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betty3@tampabay.rr.com